S. B. 222 CHAPTER 1069

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 63 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES SO AS TO ENABLE THE NORTH CARO-LINA STATE AERONAUTICS COMMISSION TO SUP-ERVISE AND REGULATE THE OPERATION OF AIR-PORTS AND TO ESTABLISH MINIMUM SAFETY RE-QUIREMENTS THEREFOR.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. Section 4 of Chapter 198 of the Session Laws of G. S. § 63-41, 1945, the same being Section 63-41 of the General Statutes as amended. set out in the General Statutes Supplement, is hereby amended to read as follows:

(a) Establishing airports. The commission is empowered Powers of N. C. and directed to encourage, foster, and assist in the develop- Commission as to ment of aeronautics in this State and to encourage the establish- establishment of airports. ment of airports and other air navigation facilities.

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(b) Rules, regulations and standards. It may also perform Rules, regulasuch acts, issue and amend such orders, and make, promulgate, standards. and amend such reasonable general rules, regulations, and procedure, relating to the location and minimum safety requirements for airports, as it may deem necessary to carry out the provisions of this Chapter and to perform its duties hereunder: All commensurate with and for the purpose of protecting and insuring the general public interest and safety, the safety of persons receiving instruction concerning or operating, using or traveling in aircraft, and of persons and property on land or water, and in conformity with the then current Federal legislation governing aeronautics and the regulations duly promulgated thereunder and rules and standards issued pursuant thereto.

(c) Filing of rules. It shall keep on file with the Secretary Filing of rules. of State, and at the principal office of the commission, a copy of all its rules and regulations, for public inspection.

(d) Approval of airports. The commission may also by regulation require that all proposed airports, which will be open to the public, shall be first approved by the commission before they, or any of them, shall be used or operated to insure that the property and its use shall conform to minimum standards of safety and shall serve public interest.

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(e) Hearings on applications for certificates. If and when the commission adopts regulations requiring the approval of all airports and the commission makes an order granting or denying a certificate of approval of an airport, and the applicant or any interested municipality, within 15 days after

Hearings on applications for certificates of approval of airports.